

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

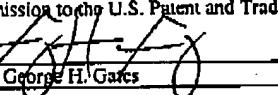
**RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER**

MAY 06 2005

Applicants:	Steven K. Elliot et al.	Examiner:	Andrew L. Naiven
Serial No.:	09/514,607	Group Art Unit:	2134
Filed:	February 28, 2000	Docket:	ST9-99-024
Title:	SIGNATURE HASH FOR CHECKING VERSIONS OF ABSTRACT DATA TYPES		

CERTIFICATE OF MAILING OR TRANSMISSION UNDER 37 CFR 1.8

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being filed via facsimile transmission to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on May 6, 2005.

By: 
Name: George H. Gates

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.114

MAIL STOP RCE
Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR § 1.114 of patent application Serial No. 09/514,607, filed on February 28, 2000, and entitled SIGNATURE HASH FOR CHECKING VERSIONS OF ABSTRACT DATA TYPES, in which no payment of the issue fee, abandonment of, or termination of proceedings has occurred.

- Enter the unentered amendment previously filed on April 8, 2005 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 in the prior patent application.
- The fee has been calculated as shown below in the "Claims as Filed" table.

CLAIMS PRESENT

Claims Remaining:	Highest Number Previously Paid For:	Number Extra	Rate	Fee
Basic Filing Fee (Basic national fee + Examination fee + Search fee)				\$790.00
Total Claims				
40	40	0	x \$50.00	\$0.00
Independent Claims				
10	10	0	x \$200.00	\$0.00
MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM FEE				\$0.00
TOTAL FILING FEE				\$790.00

- A charge to the Deposit Account identified below in the amount of \$790.00 to cover the RCE Filing Fees.
- Address all future communications to the Attention of George H. Gates at Gates & Cooper LLP, Howard Hughes Center, 6701 Center Drive West, Suite 1050, Los Angeles, California 90045, Telephone: (310) 641-8797.

Please consider this a PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME for a sufficient number of months to enter these papers, if appropriate.

Please charge all fees to Deposit Account No. 09-0460 of IBM Corporation, the assignee of the present application. A duplicate of this paper is enclosed.

05/09/2005 JBALINAN 00000049 090460 09514607

01 FC:1801 790.00 DA

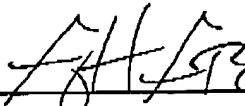
(PTO TRANSMITTAL – FILING UNDER 37 CFR §1.114

CUSTOMER NUMBER 22462

GATES & COOPER LLP

Howard Hughes Center
6701 Center Drive West, Suite 1050
Los Angeles, CA 90045
(310) 641-8797

By:


Name: George H. Gates
Reg. No.: 33,500
GHG/sjm

Gates & Cooper LLP

Howard Hughes Center
 6701 Center Drive West, Suite 1050
 Los Angeles, California 90045

RECEIVED
CENTRAL FAX CENTER

MAY 06 2005

FAX TRANSMISSION TO USPTO

TO: Commissioner for Patents
Attn: Examiner Andrew L. Nalven
 Patent Examining Corps
 Facsimile Center
 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

FROM: George H. Gates
 OUR REF.: ST9-99-024
 TELEPHONE: (310) 642-4146

Total pages, including cover letter: 5

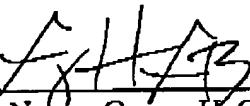
PTO FAX NUMBER: (703) 872-9306

If you do NOT receive all of the pages, please telephone us at (310) 641-8797, or fax us at (310) 641-8798.

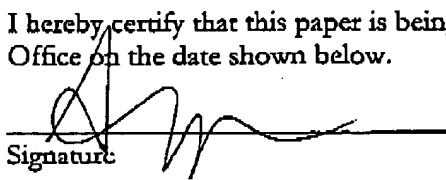
Title of Document Transmitted:	RCE AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE DEPOSIT ACCOUNT NO. 09-0460 OF IBM IN THE AMOUNT OF \$790.00.
Applicant:	Steven K. Elliot et al.
Serial No.:	09/514,607
Filed:	February 28, 2000
Group Art Unit:	8496
Title:	SIGNATURE HASH FOR CHECKING VERSIONS OF ABSTRACT DATA TYPES
Our Ref. No.:	ST9-99-024

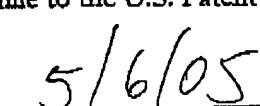
Please charge all fees to Deposit Account No. 09-0460 of IBM Corporation, the assignee of the present application.

By:


 Name: George H. Gates
 Reg. No.: 33,500

I hereby certify that this paper is being transmitted by facsimile to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office on the date shown below.


 Signature


 Date

RECEIVED
 MAY - 9 2005
 OJPE/JCW/S

GIIG/sjm

G&C 30571.231-US-U1